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Good Morning,

I understood that there would be some risks associated with working in an acute psychiatric hospital but staff are told to call for help (code) if we cannot manage by ourselves or we are told to pull staff from other units. As other units are short staffed this is not really a viable option. I simply do not have the resources to run this unit safely for patients and staff. And now I am being asked to work overtime. I know you have offered to let me schedule for 1West, but in looking at that and needing an RN on the unit daily, there is no way for me to avoid overtime so I can take care of personal things and care for my son. I have expressed on multiple occasions that I cannot do overtime and that has been ignored. Also, because we do not have assigned work emails, that leaves my personal email and cell phone texts for staff communication which occurs on time off quite often, this is unpaid time for which there is no compensation.

Thank you, again, for the opportunity to serve a very underserved population.

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